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### "IS IT A SIN TO ACCEPT OFFICER

"Millennium" Article Provokes "A Democrat' to Speak Gut in Open Meeting.

Federal office at the hands of a Republican President? Did Chief Justice White and other great, true and tried Democrats, who received appointments from this paper, makes a strong plea true and tried Democrats, who are lying down together!

The first column of the first page of your last week's issue contained these startling headines, and it may be that those who do not know, and who are not familiar with the "Inner circle" of the Democratic area in Tazewell county, would believe that you, or some member of your staff, had written this great exortium of present day rollties, but when the article is given close inspection and considered with some knowledge of past and present happenings in his great. Inner ricle" between certain favored members of the Democratic county committee, one may readily see the ear marks of two or three of the gentlemen who have been, and are now, the chief actors, furnishing wisdom and entertainment for their few supporters and sympathizers, without regarding or considering whan and elevation of the Democratic county. No Mr. Editor, while your generosity has stood a strong test in thus astood a strong test in thus astood a strong test in thus astood a strong test in thus assuming responsibility and anthorship of this masterly because and his feathy to his proposition on politics, and the uncertained and the president of a plate. Must a man's appointed man and the president of the supporters and sympathizers, without received appoint Mr. Pendleton's country? Certainly not, for we all know, not one of them would have refused the pie because in the country. It is the same old question. How the received appointments, and were their cancey and were their cancey and were their town of this country? Certainly not, for we all known not one of the would have refused the pie because the could use and the president of the presid ment for their few supporters and sympathizers, without regarding or considering what may be best for the success and sympathizers, without regarding or considering what may be best for the success and elevation of the Democratic party in this county. No Mr. Editor, while your generosity has stood a strong test in thus assuming responsibility and authorship of this masterly peroration on politics and the pie-counter, you have not deceived the reading and thinking public into believing you to be the originator of such an unorthordox vision of the "millennium". But Mr. Editor, as you have assumed, or will allow yourself to be charged with being its author, I know you will not refuse to give space in your valuable paper to this feeble epistle, not to the "Romans", but to the "Bosses", neverthe of the idea that has brought thou such Utopean results in this day and time of social, in the probable birth of the idea that has brought who votes any but the Democratic ticket, and I am informed because the reading of the wind and proportics o of the idea that has brought about such Utopean results in this day and time of social, political and industrial strife, that the "Lion and the Lamb" may lie down together in complete safety and accord, and enjoy their peaceful slumber, that a hungry appetite, after a post-office, can secure, when one has gotten, and while he is eating, the pie. The only serious menace to this heavenly dream, is occasioned, because unfortunately. there are not enough postoffices to go round and the ones who can eat pie are liable to create or go round and the ones who can eat pie are liable to create proton the pie some one elses and the pie and proton the pie some one elses and roth in the pie some one elses and the pi can eat pie are liable to create discord and stir up strife, just in order to show us that the "millennium" has not come, though we have made considerable headway in reaching the string of the poor Indian" has political annihilation must be accomplish M. Gr Clerk

# BETTER SCHOOLS BADLY NEEDED

ham could have won. Was it not then that the example was set? Had the same gentlemen howled then who are howling now, they might, with much better effect, and more consistency, enter a protest against a Republican Congressman securing the appointment of a Democrat to any office. Now is it so great a sin to receive an appointment to a Federal office at the hands of a Republican President? Did Chief Justice White and other great, true and tried Democrats, who received appointments from President Taft protest and refuse to accept, and were their Children Have Not Advantages Here

Counties—Reason: No Money.

C. A. Wagner in last issue of his paper, makes a strong plea or better schools in the country. t is the same old question. How o secure better schools in town and country has been a question or years and years, and the answer has always been the same—money. With money sufficient may be had any be had any be better.

kets where he bought a nice stock of goods.

G. C. McLain is "laid up" with lagrippe.

Born to Fulton Altizer on last night a boy,
Mrs. G. R. Thomas returned last of the week from Whitewood where she went on account of the death of her daughter's, Mrs. Ward's, infant. Her daughter has been very ill but is reported better.

the appointment to an office that none but a Democrat can get? Now if Mr. Buchanan's Democracy could be honestly questioned, and he was in reality a Republican, but outwardly clother a howl might be accounted for and a just criticism should be awarded, but no such charge can be sustained and none has been made. In this great county of Republican supremacy the writer does not know a single twoter by the name of Buchanan who votes any but the Democratic ticket, and I am informed that in the county of Smythe, where about one hundred of the name are voters, and all his kinsmen, that for the past twenty-five years but one was ever known to vote the Republican and ostracism of his kindred became so great, that he, with his family, went to a far country where he has long since been for naught. Mr. Buchanan has gotton the pie some one else thought was his, and which was shall it be secured?

There ought to campaign waged in this county for better schools as was done for good roads. There ought to be a good school of high grade, running for nine months in the year, within reach of every boy and girl in the county. How shall it be secured?

There ought to merty fived in the likes Idaho and is doing well. Receives one of the Tazewell papers, hence, keeps in touch with his old friends and relatives in far away Virginia.

The W. C. T. will give a program Friday night, the usual monthly meeting night. Miss Bessie Brown has gotten up a program and will have been constituted by the likes Idaho and is doing well. He likes Idaho and is doing well.

Pounding Mill Items

Pounding Mill, Va., Feb. 11.
Miss Effie Williams attended
"Ky Belle" at Richlands Friday
night. People are delighted with
the play—all Cedar Bluff talent.
John B. Gillespie, manager of
Steele-Hurt and Co.'s big store,
has returned from eastern more That Are Offered by Poorer has returned from eastern markets where he bought a nice

has been very ill but is reported better.
Charlotte, the little daughter of C. M. Hunter is celebrating her birthday this afternoon at her pretty home in South Williamsburg. She invited her teachers and several little friends—all herself.
Dr. George Williams, Newport News, is improving rapidly at his old home here.

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News, is improving rapidly at his old home here.

Dr. Bancroft, Ga., came last week to "make out pills" for the quarry workers and others it he is a graduate of University College of Medicine, Richmond.
Dr. A Del Castilo, dentist of Richlands, made a professional visit here yesterday, the guest of his friend, Dr. Bancroft.

Miss Lettie Ringstaff is wielding the yardstick in Pounding Mill Supply Co.'s store.

Mrs. Susan Ringstaff was very sick a few days last week.
Mrs. Howard Reed was very ill a few days, last week. It is thought she had appendicitis.

James McGuire, son of Charles McGuire and wife on the Branch came home from Piedmont Business College on account of being sick.

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sick. He likes the school and will return when he gets well. Miss Georgia Harris, a gradu-ate of Piedmont Business Col-lege, is visting for a few days her parents, Milton Harris and wife on the Branch. Misses Lettie and Ocie Lovell were visitors to Gillespie Sun-day.

Howard Reed received the sad intelligence of his father's death at Indian which took place last

night, from typhoid--pneumonia.

Miss Helen McGuire, of Cedar
Bluff, was visiting her uncle, W.
B. Steele recently.

Mrs. W. B. Steele recieved a

Mrs. W. B. Steele recieved a letter from her uncle, J. H. Claypool, Stirling, Idaho. He has been "shut in" with rheumatism since December 1st, has had it for the past three winters. A town has been built on land formerly owned by him. He sends love and best wishes to relatives and friends. He formerly lived in Burke's Garden. He likes Idaho and is doing well. Receives one of the Tazewell

Bad Artillery.

Whitfield Johnson, colored, was brought here from Pocahontas Friday night, charged with the murder of another colored man of that town. It is said that Johnson has other charges of murder against him. He shot the man at at Pocahontas with a rifle of large bore, the bullet entering just below the mans right eye and lodging in his brain, from which he died instantly. The artillery with which the murder was committed in the revolutionary war.

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J. B. Meek and son, Roy, returned hunting tour in Florida.

Whitley Fox, of Wolf Creek, was a business visitor to the Garden Monday.

Whith's Saturday in this month at 11 o'clock a. m.

Misses Dora Hankins and brevella by the with the wist is progressing slowly.

The work on th taned, not only his opponents, but a candidate for every appointive office in the county? Did the candidates not on the committee, who could not have secured a vote for the position, and who know it only too well. Mr. Editor, we are informed that Senators Swanson and Martin are being kept advised of the Tazewell situation and were furnished with copies of the last issue of your paper. Will you in equal kindness and fairness furnish them with copies of this issue, and by so doing you will greatly oblige, A DEMOCRAT.

CONVICT FORCE FOR TAZEWELL ROADS

Maiden Spring Will Get The Camp and Pay Difference to the Other

to physicians for services rendered the poor at request of Overseer of the Poor is hereby adopted, the amount for each visit being based on the number of miles traveled by such physician: of miles physician:

physician;
One mile, \$1.00; two miles, \$1.50; three miles, \$1.75; four miles, 2.00; five miles, 2.50; six miles, 2.75; seven miles, 3.25; eight miles, 3.75; nine miles, 4.25; ten miles, 5.00.

In no case shall the allowance exceed \$6.00 per visit, except the Board of Supervisors may, in its discretion, under special circumstances, make an additional allowance.

A Son of The Old Dominion

John D. Greever is one of the sons of the Old Domission who is an interested vistior at the National Corn exposition. Mr. Greever comes from his home in National Corn exposition. Mr. Greever comes from his home in the far-famed blue grass region of Burke's Garden, Va., which is largely engaged in raising export cattle, some of the finest specimens in the world being produced there, nearly all of which goes to foreign markets. Mr. Greever is one of the survivors of the 600 Confederate prisoners who were brought from Fort Deleware and placed in front of the Federal lines on Morris Island, where they received the galling fire of their own comrades and suffered likewise other hardships and many indignities. The heroism of the 600 Confederates can only be compared to that similar number who made the ride to death and glory at Balaklava. The ranks of the 600 are growing very thin, but the members of the brave band keep in touch with each of the by the publication of an annual bulletin. Mr. Greever is stopping with his son, Rev. Dr. W. H. Greever, at Eau Claire.—Columbia S. C. State.

Style and only those who have been here know how far above par that is.

MRS. D. P. HURLEY.

Want to See the President?

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Ware you going to Washington March 4th? It would be well for those who expect to go from this community to "get together", and as a body arrange accomodations, and perhaps cheaper rates might be secured thereby. Virginia and New Jersey will lead all other States, it is said, in attendance and display.

Luther Dickenson, of the N. & W. at North Tazewell, Va. has gone to a great deal of trouble to get up the data, including rates, single and company, to Washington and return. An opportunity of seeing a Democratic President inaugurated has been wished for. Call on Dickenson and he'll tell you how to get there.

Burke's Garden, Peb. 13.—Mr.

Adria, Va. Feb. 10.-We are glad to note that those on the

Woman's Missionary Society.

The Tazewell station auxiliary of the Women's Missionary Society, met February 8th, with Mrs. Alex St. Clair. Twenty-seven members were present.

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Tynes, presided, conducting the meeting in a most business-like

The Board of Supervisors Tuesday closed the negotiations for a convict camp to be brought to the county about the last of April. The camp will be established in the west end of the county, and as long as they remain there that district is to pay the other two districts of the county their pro rata of the value of the connect labor. This arrangement is thought to be better than scattering the camp, which will be composed of about sixty men, in different sections of the county. The other district to apply to the roads. The work will be begun at the Maiden Spring district line, in the Cove, and will be pushed west about eleven miles. The supervisors adopted the following schedule of allowances to physicians for services rendered the poor at request of Overseer of the Poor is bearing the Regro' as taken of the Negro' as taken of Overseer of the Poor is bearing the conducting the meeting in a most business-like way—everything moving like way—everything moving like that the program had been carefully planned and throroughly studied. Devotional services were conducted by Mrs. D. P. Hurley: the scripture lesson being taken from John 17-17-26. The mission field for consideration and study was "The Dark Continent of Africa." Mrs. Doak opened the subject by an interesting talk on "Travels in Africa and of Bishop Lourbuth's and Prof. John Gilbert's recent visit to the dark continent. The places visited and where work is being done was pointed out on the missonary map, which the the discussed "Paine Announces to physicians for services rendered the poor at request of Overseer of the Poor is bearing the and throroughly studied. Devotional services way—everything moving like that the program had been carefully planned and throroughly studied. Devotional services way—everything moving like that the program had been carefully planned and throroughly studied. Devotional services way—everything moving like way—everything moving like way—everything moving like way—everything moving like and throroughly studied. Devotional servicle nex and the Industrial Work" in a very helpful way. The "Negro" work for the Negro" as taken up by Mrs. Harman, which showed us that they, too, are in-terested in the betterment of their present condition. A "Self Help Creed" for the negroes Help Creed" for the negroes was read by Mrs. Conrad Tynes also paper by Mrs. Coulling on "Social and Civic" work.

Business work was then taken up and readily disposed of, each vice president being ready with her report. Various committees were appointed to look after the local work, one to see about purchasing a pipe organ for the new clurch now going up, an other to select a carpet, and various other things. This auxiliary is wide awake. The daintiest and most enjoyed by all came last, when our hostess, Mrs. St. Cliar served courses of refreshments in Tazewell's best style and only those who have been here know how far above par that is. local work, one to see about pur-

Burke's Garden, Feb. 13.—Mr. John D. Greever and daughters, Misses Ida and Emma, are in Birmingham this week as guests of Rev. and Mrs.

tol, Tenn., and Mrs. W. B. Gillesnie.

ins.

Mr. Peery and Avery Whitaker were the guest of Miss Rosa Mitchell Sunday.

Clarence and Archie Pruett were visiting Mrs. Martha

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This week with their aunt, Mrs. C. mediately after the rehearsal repetition at Richlands. Delic from Chicago with 120 cattle, which he expects to graze on his Burke's Garden and Bland county farms.

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D. Fox, who has had a severe attack of pneumonia, is able to be out again. |

A. W. Daviz, who has been in HIGH SCHOOL.

a business visitor to the Garden Mon-day. Clara Johnston, Ida Brayg. 6th Grade-Barbara Atwell, Gus-

Honor Roll
Honor Roll of Shawver Mill
School.
First grade: Lena May Leffel,
Mira Hicks. Second grade:
Nellie Neel. Third grade:—Paul Shawver, Arlo Leffel, George Hicks. Six h grade:—Mary Hicks, Georgia Thompson.
Seventh grade:—Ara Hicks, Eliza Davis,

There will be preaching in the Tazewell Bapt. church Sunday 11 a. m. The interior of the building has been greatly improved, it is not yet entirely for services Sunday morning. Let all the members and friends come out to the service Sunday.
T. H. Campbell, Pastor.

S. School at 9:45.

There will be preaching in the Tazewell Bapt. church Sunday 7th Grade—Sam Baylor, Mattie Griffits, Roy Keyser, Ella Russell, 9th Griffits, Roy Keyse

# MR. ELLYSON SAYS COMMITEE IS RIGHT

Acted Properly in Refusing to Call Primary to Settle Postoffice Differences for the Two Towns.

A few days ago a member of the County Democratic Committee wrote Hon. J. Taylor Ellyson giving an outline of the many constructions which had been put on his letter of Nov. 23, 1912, to the Clinch Valley News in regard to holding "primaries" to determine candidates for the various post offices to be filled in this county by the incoming administration. The committeeman closed his letter to Mr. Ellyson as follows: "Personally, I construed your letter to mean that where all the applicants for office where a postmaster is to be appointed agree to submit their claims to a vote of the

office where a postmaster is to be appointed agree to submit their claims to a vote of the patrons of said office, you saw no objection to the "primary" plan. Please let me hear from you." Here is Mr. Ellyson's reply to Col. J. B. Boyer:

Dear sir:—Your letter of January 30th received. You correctly interpret the meaning of my letter. The party organization as such has nothing whatever to do with determining who shall be endorsed for Federal Jositions. Democrats seeking positions under the Federal Government, who wish to decide among themselves by a primary, who shall receive the exclusive endorsation for any particular office, may enter into such an arrangement, and if those who shall conduct Democratic primaries voluntarily content to act in such as primary as is suggested, they can of course do see maries voluntarily con.ent to act in such a primary as is suggested, they can, of course do so, but where there was such division as is apparent from a newspaper article you enclosed me, I think the committee acted wisely in declining to take any part in such a primary.

Yours yearly

Yours very truly, J. TAYLOR ELLYSON,

Chairman.
It appears from Mr. Ellyson's reply that it is not within the province or duty of the county committee as such, to meet and endorse any candidates for Federal appoinments.

### A Walking Preacher.

Rev. Thomas H. Campbell is and of walking. He made the Rev. Thomas H. Campbell is fond of walking. He made the trip to Burke's Garden and return to fill his regular appointment last Sunday, on foot, as a matter of choice. He got several small "lifts" along the way-however, "walking is good" now that the new roads are built. Miss Lula Jones, who teaches at Gratton, walked to town from her school one Friday afternoon. There is no exercise more There There is no exercise more pleasant or healthful than walk-ing on a good road in nice, crisp

News of Cedar Bluff.

Cedar Bluff, Feb. 13. — Miss Sadie McGuire left Wednesday to visit Mrs. S. O. Perkins, of Millwood, N Y. Mrs. Perkins is most pleasantly re-membered as Miss Lena Scott.

Miss Laura Ward and Miss Clara Brown are visiting friends here. The play "Kentucky Bell," upon

glad to note that those on the sick list are improving.

Mrs. Sallie Killen entertained several of her friends at the home of her parents Sunday.

Among those present were Mr. Rector and Miss Ida Whitt, tol., Tenn., and Mrs. W. B. Gillenpie. Acrhie Lee Pruett, Walter Hank- of El Paso, Texas, will spend part of the Blue Sulphur Inn last week, imrepetition at Richlands. Delicious refreshments were served and a most

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